free, some poor people will be deprived of their occupation. Margosa seeds are used in extracting some medicinal oil.

Reply of Government.—Will be enquired into.

SUBJECT No. 128.

Prevention of the high rate of cattle mortality in the malnad.

Mr. Puttanna Gowda, Tirthahalli taluk.

Summary of discussion.—Steps may be taken for the prevention of the heavy mortality of cattle occurring every year in the malnad.

Reply of Government.—Noted.

SUBJECT No. 129.

Supply of breeding bulls to veterinary hospitals.

Mr. C. Vasudeva Rao, Chikmagalur taluk.

Summary of discussion.—The representation made during the last session of the Assembly for attaching a breeding bull and a stallion to each veterinary dispensary, seems to have produced no effect as yet. The orders of Government may be communicated early.

Mr. C. Srinivasa Rao.—Two different kinds of bulls are necessary, one for improving the milking stock and the other for improving the breed of draught bullocks. Amrut Mahal and Hallikar bulls will produce good draught oxen, but the cows do not yield much milk nor are the heifers suitable for ploughing purposes. The cost of maintenance may be recouped by levying a small fee for serving.

Reply of Government.—Will be considered. Under Standing Orders, five Amrut Mahal bulls are supplied to each district for sale to private individuals at half price for breeding purposes and applications may be made accordingly.

SUBJECT No. 130.

The irrigation cess.

Mr. Gundappa, Kunigal taluk.

Summary of discussion.—The inconveniences experienced by ryots holding lands under tanks, on which irrigation cess is levied, are not removed. The irrigation cess levied in a local area should therefore be utilised for works within the area only.

Reply of Government.—At present District Boards have been given the privilege of considering District Budgets so that local needs may be suitably provided for. If the system works well, it will be gradually extended so as to allow the Taluk Board to send its own Budget for consideration to the District Board.

SUBJECT No. 131.

Abolition of the irrigation fund and the levy of contribution from the ryots for the repairs of tanks.

Mr. Bhishto Virupaksha Nadigar, Sorab taluk.

Summary of discussion.—These charges are levied only in this State but are not imposed in British India and in the other Native States. They may be abolished early. Even contribution for repairs are asked for.

Reply of Government.—The members were requested to bring separately to the notice of Government, the cases in which they state contributions for repairs were asked and not merely for restoration or enlargement of works.

SUBJECT No. 132.

Tax on *kanas*.

Messrs. Chikka Ramanna, Byregowda, and Dodda Vembralliah, Kolar taluk.

Summary of discussion.—Solicit early orders abolishing the tax on *kanas*.

Reply of Government.—Under consideration.